[*Translation*]

Telecast of Tribal and Folk Dances of Garhwal.

7004. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURAI: Will the Minister of INFROMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal to telecast programmes tribal and Folk Dances of Chamoli, Garhwal in the moring transmission on Doordarhan;

(b) if so, when the said proposal was received and by when it is likely to be cleared;

(c) whether any priority is given by the Government in regard to clearing such proposal received from the backwrd Adivasis and Scheduled Tribes dominated regions; and

(d) if not the reasons for the dealy in clearing the said proposal?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF IN THE MINISTRY OF INFROMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (d). Yes, Sir. The propsal was received in February, 1990. It will be taken up for consideration in its turn keeping in mind Doordarshan's overall programme requirements from time to time.

(c) N o, Sir.

[*English*]

Handling Staff of Vayudoot

7005. SHRI ROSHAN LAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURSIM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Vayudoot has no handling staff of its own;

(b) whether this work has been entrusted to private contractors;

(c) if so, whether the Government propose to do away with the system of contracting private agents; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Where the volume of business does not justify opening of its own office, Vayudoot entrusts the ticketing handling work to agents appointed for the purpose .

(c) and (d). Commercial and operational considerations do not at present permit Vayudoot to open offices at all the stations on its network.

Gold and Silver Deposits

7006. SHRI B. DEVARAJAN:
DR. LAL BAHADUR RAWAL:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of places in Southern region surveyed by the Geological Survey of India for gold ore during the last three years and results achieved;

(b) whether any further studies were conducted in this region;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any exploration has been done since then; and

(e) if so, the result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) During the last three